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Mr. Tim Whitright
Manager
City of Las Vegas
Neighborhood Services Department
400 E. Stewart
Las Vegas, NV 89101

Dear Mr. Whitright,

In February 2006 we were awarded a CDBG grant from the City of Las Vegas in the amount of \$1,000,000 to remodel the entire Tait Building at the Blind Center. Our original estimated budget for the project was \$1,291,995.

We began our construction project in July 2006 and as with most construction projects unexpected costs have incurred. Since the start of our project our budget has increased substantially for a variety of reasons including:

- Building inspection requirements due to uncovering noncurrent code compliant installations.
- Additional costs not initially included in the budget due to required upgrading of our water service.
- Additional costs incurred due to City of Las Vegas Public Works requirements for utility and offsite improvements.

On behalf of the Blind Center of Nevada we are submitting an updated capital budget reflecting an adjusted amount of \$1,444,812. We would appreciate any consideration you may be able to give in providing additional funding towards our project.

If you have any questions regarding the project or the budget you may call me direct at 642-6000. We appreciate your time and consideration.

Sincerely

Veronica Wilson President/CEO

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